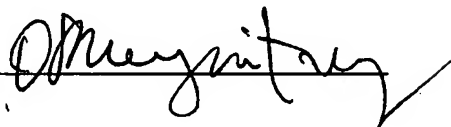


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AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Official Action dated March 12, 2007. A Petition for a 3-month Extension of Time is hereby requested extending the time for response up to and including September 12, 2007. A Notice of Appeal and a check in the amount of \$1,620.00 are enclosed herewith. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

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AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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